

reflect on how you spend your week, and how this informs your faith. We are looking for volunteers to share during the coming month, please speak to Mo C!

### News from LIFC—Upcoming events

**Please prayer for LIFC during this period of transition...**

**Mike King Talk: “Quakernomics: An Ethical Capitalism”** - January 30, 2017 @ 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

### Used Christmas Cards and Wreaths

Lesley would love any old Christmas cards to make into new Christmas cards for next year. Rhona would love any used Christmas wreaths as the base of each wreath can be used again. Please bring either in for collection here!



**For our Prayers**— All who desire peace, Huda, Jessie and Jackie, John and Lucia, John, Trish, Cleo, Chief John, Fred, Floret, Bob and Marguerite, Lois, Paula, Alice and Ruth **For those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** including Bert Gotobed, Joseph Lyon, James Dunn,

Geoffrey Walter and Bill Webb.

### Services during the week 15 January 2017

<b>Monday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel <b>7.30pm</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel <b>10am</b> My Move <b>2.30pm</b> Tea and Chat
<b>Sunday 22</b>	<b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel
<b>Epiphany 3</b>	<b>9.30am</b> Sung Mass with Sunday School

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# St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

*Confidently sharing the love of Christ*

**Sunday 15st January 2017**

## Epiphany 2

**HYMNS TODAY** - 150, 273, 413 and 643

**President** Mo Christine **Preacher** Mo Christine  
*during Communion we will listen to Nada Te Turbe*

*Welcome to worship today—it is great to have you with us. We hope that you will feel welcome in our worship today. If you are new, please do say hello—we would love to get to know you. If you are unsure where to find something, or about what is going on, please do ask and we will be happy to help. Our worship style is quite formal- but we hope relaxed-as we come to worship God in our midst. Please do join us for coffee after the service.*

**Our** first reading comes from Isaiah. A time when God’s people have been defeated, their temple destroyed. They are taken in chains to Babylon, alienated from their land and their God. This exile is a crisis of identity and faith. Are they still God’s people? How can they worship in this foreign land? Into this crisis, Isaiah speaks a word of hope in these chapters. God will send a servant who will do justice

### 1st Reading— Isaiah 49: 1-7

*Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother’s womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, ‘You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.’ But I said, ‘I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God.’ And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength— he says, ‘It is too light a thing that*

*you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.’ Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, ‘Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.’*

### **Our Second reading**

As he opens his letters, Paul commonly names others alongside himself. Among the undisputed letters of Paul, only Romans does not have a co-author or other senders named. 1 Corinthians begins by naming Paul and Sosthenes as those from whom the letters comes. The only other reference to a Sosthenes in the New Testament is in Acts 18:12-17, where a Jewish leader by that name in Corinth is beaten by a mob in front of the proconsul, Gallio.

### **2nd Reading— 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9**

*Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.*

**Our Gospel reading today** is John 1: 29-42 where yet again John points us to Jesus. "It is not about me." That is the message whenever people in the Fourth Gospel ask John the Baptist who he is. He is not the Christ, not Elijah, not the prophet, not even a man worthy enough to untie the sandals of the One who is to come: no matter what people think of his ministry out there across the river. When the disciples here this, they follow Jesus who asks them ‘What are you looking for?’. The same question could be asked of us—when we turn to Christ, when we approach God—what are we looking for?

## **Our Community Life Together and Dates for your Diary**

### **Finance—St Anne’s**

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. At present our average congregational giving is £2000—this means we a little short each month. If you are new to St Anne’s, or have not previously thought about it, please consider setting up a Standing Order to manage your giving. Forms and information are available in the entrance, or you can speak with Michael or a member of the PCC.

### **Retirement of the Bishop of London**

Bishop Richard will retire at Candlemas. To mark his retirement we are asked to participate in 2 ways:

1. We are all invited to **attend a special service at Candlemas** – at St Paul's Cathedral on Candlemas, 2 February 2017. The Cathedral will be open from 1700 and everyone is asked to be seated by 1745. The Bishop has asked that each parish is represented. Seats will not be allocated, so just line up!
2. A **Special Fund—The Richard Chartres Fund** to invest in initiatives that will grow the church, provide buildings that are fit for purpose for communities, support young people and invest in education and innovation; aligned with Capital Vision 2020 objectives. There will be a retiring offering after each service during January if you would like to contribute to this fund in honour of Bishop Richard.

### **Quiz Night—Save the date!!**

Saturday 4th February from 6.30pm. Grab your friends and make a table. £10 per head will include table nibbles, a vegetarian hot meal, and the quiz. BYO drinks. A great night of fun and entertainment, as well as helping raise funds

### **Laurence’s Larder and Food Bank**

The Larder is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am-1.30pm. Volunteers are also to help with preparation between 10– 1pm on Wednesdays. We are still asked to bring in a can a week. We have also been asked to consider if we could choose one type of food. We have been asked if we might be the **‘tinned fish’** church!

### **Ambassadors for Christ**

Daily prayer updates at [www.ambassadors2020.org](http://www.ambassadors2020.org). Once again we are looking for people to share in our 2 minute slot. We invite you to